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1. Czechoslovak government planning for a possible peace settlement with Austria has made little progress. Despite three meetings held since 4 September 1953, preparations have been stalled by the lack of information on Austrian claims against Czechoslovakia based on confiscations after February 1948.
2. In late 1948 or early 1949, the Austrian government submitted a report to the Czechoslovak Government on its claims for confiscations of Austrian property. The Czechs are now apparently unable to locate that report. Simandl, the Czech official in charge of preparations for an Austrian settlement, has made unofficial attempts to obtain the necessary information from the Austrian mission in Prague.
3. The deadline for completion of Czech plans for an Austrian settlement is believed to be late December 1953.

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